

Developing Applications with Microsoft Works

Introduction

Developing applications on the Tandy 600 can be a challenge. The primary storage device is RAM-based, and therefore is extremely fragile in the face of run-away code. In addition, the operating system does not have offer an interactive 'DEBUG'-like facility. These factors make application development on the Tandy 600 difficult.

Microsoft Works solves this dilemma by allowing the application developer to create and maintain programs on a MS-DOS based computer. Tools are provided to create application- and ROM-image files. A simulator of the operating system, Hand-Held Operating System (HHOS) allows the developer to test their code prior to installation on the Tandy 600. In conjunction with Microsoft's SYMDEB, interactive 'debugging' may be done from within the simulator.

Requirements

Microsoft Works requires that the developer has the following:

- Microsoft Works Disk (Vendor Development Services Internal Document # VDS-263901-01)
- Microsoft Macro-Assembler (MASM) version 4.0.
- MS-DOS based computer with 512K RAM (not compatible with Tandy 2000).

Developing Applications

In order to develop applications, follow the guidelines set forth in the Tandy 600 Programmer's Reference Guide and BIOS Specifications, pages 111-116. Convert the '.EXE' file created by MASM with the EXECNV utility. The resultant '.HHX' may be then transported to the Tandy 600 through RS-232C connections. 'TELCOM', provided with the Tandy 600, provides XMODEM capabilities. The resultant '.HHX' may also be tested on the HHOS simulator. This involves creating a ROM image file.

Developing ROMS

The Tandy 600 hardware is designed to support a secondary ROM or EEPROM. During boot-up procedure, if the ROM is determined to have been installed, HHOS reads the contents of the ROM, and places the names of the application(s) found therein on the menu bar. The BLDROM utility creates the ROM image in a format acceptable to HHOS. BLDROM determines which applications to place on the ROM image by reading the file DEBUG.GEN. As provided, DEBUG.GEN is set up to create a ROM image file containing overlays of HHOS, Microsoft Word, and the Pop-Up Calculator. To have BLDROM create a ROM image file with your application(s), merely add the names of these to the DEBUG.GEN file. For example:

```
word.!30 word.!30
dump600.hhx dump600.!92
dir600.hhx dir600.!93
```

Note: If you are creating a ROM image file intended to be burned into the secondary ROM, do not have BLDROM copy the HHOS overlays, Word, or the Calculator. These files are present and available in the primary ROM of the Tandy 600.

Using The Simulator

The premise behind the Simulator is to provide an environment similar to HHOS, operating under MS-DOS. To do this, first develop your application with MASM. Convert the '.EXE' file to '.HHX' format. Create a ROM image file, with the operating system overlays, Word, the Calculator, and however many of your applications. Then, type:

```
HHSIM DEBUG.PRM
```

The top portion of the screen clears, and the simulation of the Tandy 600 begins. Note that the simulator does not emulate the BIOS calls for RS-232C. When referencing the Tandy 600's disk drive, the simulator will access drive A:. If you require referencing the Tandy 600's disk drive, use BLDROM to make a ROM image file of the data or programs files found on the disk drive, and copy that file, DEBUG.ROM, to drive A: prior to running the simulator.

The file, DEBUG.PRM, contains parameters about the simulation. The number of rows and columns on the screen can be altered, the name of the ROM image file may be specified, as well as the RAM file. The RAM file has the contents of the directory system. The RAMSIZ variable allows the user to specify the size of the ROM or EEPROM being used.

In running the simulator, note the the F1 key is used as the 'Label' key. Alternate-F10 exits the simulator back to MS-DOS.

Interactive Debugging

In order to use SYMDEB in conjunction with the simulator, first create a '.MAP' file of your application with MASM. MAPSYM converts this file to '.SYM' format. Then, type:

```
HHDEBUG {name}.SYM
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And follow the instructions outlined in the Microsoft Works documentation.

Application Structure Overview

Tandy 600 applications files have a fixed header structure, which is used by HHOS to determine the amount of memory required by the program. Information is in the header to indicate the size of the data region, stack, and code. As designed, all strings, data tables, etc. intended to be in the data segment are contained in the code segment of the application. During load time, HHOS allocates a data segment in memory, and moves these elements away from the code segment. Stack is set up in the data segment; the user specifies where the stack pointer offset will be. So, immediately following the loading of an application, code and data segments may look as follows:

Code Segment	Data Segment (AMI)
+-----+ Header +-----+	Stack area
Code +-----+	======(SP)=====
-----+ data tables, strings, etc., TO BE MOVED TO Data Segment from Code Segment. +-----+	Data tables, strings, etc., THAT WAS MOVED TO Data Segment from Code Segment. extra space for uninit tables, etc. +-----+

Keep in mind that this situation is changeable by your application following load procedures. You may change memory allocation to fit the application.

Here is a sample header:

```
; sample header
dw      $f10h          ; aplchk
dw      9000h          ; amicod
db      0              ; ldrild; 8086 native code
db      'V'            ; amivis; AMI visible from menu
db      '.'             ; amityp; owned files are
                        ; AMI's; '--' for data
db      'WRK'           ; amiext; extension for AMI
                        ; files
dw      begin           ; aplip; set IP to origin of
                        ; code
dw      stack            ; aplsp; set SP to top of stack
                        ; area in AMI
dw      cs_length        ; aplsiz; size of code segment
dw      data_start        ; datpos; beginning data area
                        ; WITHIN CS segment
dw      data_final         ; datloc; beginning data WITHIN
                        ; AMI; to be...
dw      data_length        ; datlen; ...moved from CS
                        ; segment, for length of data
```

The Data Segment, referred to as an AMI, is an actual data file created by the application. The file is named 'WORK.', with the extension indicated by the 'AMIEXT' field in the header. It is extremely important to assign unique extensions for your applications. HHOS determines ownership of files from the extension when displaying the menu bar.

If your AMI file exists the subsequent time your application is run, the previous values within the AMI are maintained. That is, the previous contents of your data and stack segment are intact. This is important to note, as HHOS is designed to allow the user to leave an application for another, and return back to the original intact (e.g., the Pop-Up Calculator).

What controls whether your AMI file is still resident as file is how you exit from your application. Should you wish to exit the application with AMI intact, your code segment should read:

```
    mov     al,0          ; exit application with AMI
                           intact
    mov     ah,Exit        ; ah = HHOS function code to
                           exit
    int     42h          ; call HHOS
```

In order to have the AMI killed on exit, change the first line to read:

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    mov     al,-1         ; exit application, killing AMI
```

When exiting your application to call another (say, the Pop-Up Calculator), use the first method shown above. To exit your application back to the menu bar, use the second.

When writing your application, it is important to note that at any time, the user may press a function key to either exit your application, or call up another. The keyboard routines must be designed to check for the proper scan codes, and act upon them immediately. The sample programs shown below illustrate how to go about this.

Sample Programs

The two sample programs illustrate programming style and structure for the Tandy 600. The first demonstrates how to re-use the AMI file; when the application is running, it prompts the user for a string of characters. When run again, the original string entered is displayed. The AMI file is then killed.

The second program illustrates keyboard scanning techniques, as well as file management. These programs demonstrate different ways to handle data placement in the code segment.

M600F.ASM

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title Sample Tandy 600 Program

Sample program prompts the user to type information (ConStringInput emulated). Text is displayed back to the screen, system date and time are displayed. If AMI present from last time, the previous contents are displayed first. Also note the keyboard handler that takes care of user forking off to the pop-up calculator, etc.
os_redraw: We'd have to buffer what is on screen at fork-time, to restore previous contents on exit. Not attempted, but working at the LCD level looks the path to follow...

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HHOS Functions

GetTime	equ	2ch	; set system time
GetDate	equ	2ah	; get system date
ConStringOutput	equ	09h	; display string to console
Exit	equ	4ch	; exit to dos
GetChar	equ	08h	; get char from keyboard w/o echo
PutChar	equ	02h	; write char to screen

LCD Text Interrupt Functions

ClearScreen	equ	01h	; clear screen on lcd
GetCursor	equ	03h	; get cursor position
SetCursor	equ	02h	; set cursor position

DosInt macro function
 mov ah,function
 int 42h
 endm

LcdInt macro function
 mov ah,function
 ; ah = function number

```
int      51h          ; call BIOS
endm

code     SEGMENT public 'CODE'
ASSUME cs:code,ds:code

; This is the program header

begin:
dw      5f10h          ; application check
dw      9004h          ; our application is code
db      0
db      'V'             ; 8086 native code
db      '.'             ; app is always visible
db      'M6F'            ; owned files are AMIs
dw      start            ; extension (MUST BE UNIQUE!)
dw      0100h            ; beginning of IP
dw      aplsiz            ; place to put SP in AMI
dw      begin_of_data      ; size of application
dw      0102h            ; beginning of data
dw      data_length        ; place to keep data
dw      data_length        ; length of data area

start:
LcdInt  ClearScreen          ; clear the screen

resume:
mov     [cod],cs          ; save code segment
mov     [dod],ds          ; save data segment
mov     [eod],es          ; save extra segment
mov     [sod],ss          ; save stack segment
mov     ax,sp            ; stack stack offset
mov     [spd],ax          ; save stack offset

; figure out where things are in memory

mov     ax,[cod]          ; get code segment
mov     si,offset cod$    ; si -> place to keep answer
call   bin_hex            ; convert binary to ascii hex
mov     ax,[dod]          ; get data segment
mov     si,offset dod$    ; si -> place to put answer
call   bin_hex            ; convert binary to ascii hex
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        mov     ax,[eod]           ; get extra segment
        mov     si,offset eod$    ; si -> place to put answer
        call    bin_hex          ; do conversion
        mov     ax,[sod]           ; get stack segment
        mov     si,offset sod$    ; si -> answer
        call    bin_hex          ; do conversion
        mov     ax,[spd]           ; get stack offset
        mov     si,offset spd$    ; si -> answer
        call    bin_hex          ; do conversion

        mov     dx,offset seg$    ; post answer to screen
        DosInt ConStringOutput   ; thusly

; post a "howdy" to the screen

        mov     dx,offset hello$  ; ds:dx -> "hello"
        DosInt ConStringOutput   ; out to screen we go

; prompt users to type something in

        mov     si,offset buffer$  ; ds:si -> user buffer
        call    ConStringInput    ; await keyboard entry

; post a report to the users

        push   si                 ; save this for a minute
        mov     dx,offset report$ ; display header information
        DosInt ConStringOutput   ; post to screen

; prepare to display user's input to screen

        pop    dx                 ; get offset back
        inc    dx                 ; jump over OUR length byte
        mov    si,dx              ; move that into si
        inc    dx                 ; jump over THEIR length byte
        mov    bl,byte ptr [si]    ; get length of entered buffer
        xor    bh,bh              ; clean this up
        mov    byte ptr [si+bx+1],'$' ; stash an end-of-string
        DosInt ConStringOutput   ; and display string
```

```
; get system date

DosInt GetDate ; get system date

    mov    si,offset date$ ; si -> ascii buffer for date
    mov    al,dh ; convert month first
    call   convert_single ; convert 2-digit ascii
    mov    al,dl ; convert day next
    call   convert_single ; convert 2-digit ascii
    call   convert_double ; convert year in cx, 4-digit ascii

; get system time

DosInt GetTime ; get system time

    mov    si,offset time$ ; si -> ascii buffer for time
    mov    al,ch ; handle hour
    call   convert_single ; do conversion
    mov    al,cl ; handle minutes
    call   convert_single ; do conversion
    mov    al,dh ; handle seconds
    call   convert_single ; do conversion
    mov    al,dl ; handle hundreds of seconds
    call   convert_single ; do conversion

; post answer to screen

    mov    dx,offset system_time$ ; dx -> the time is
    DosInt ConStringOutput ; send to screen

; await keystroke and exit

    DosInt GetChar ; await character
    mov    al,0 ; no error; but allow resumption
exit_ality equ    $-1
    DosInt Exit ; exit to DOS

; we get here from second invocation

    mov    al,-1 ; post a minus one
```

```
        mov     byte ptr cs:[exit_ality],al      ; save into exit routine

LcdInt  ClearScreen           ; clear screen
        mov     dx,offset second_time$      ; ds:dx -> second time around
DosInt   ConStringOutput      ; post that
        mov     dx,offset report$        ;
DosInt   ConStringOutput      ;
        mov     dx,offset buffer$+2      ;
DosInt   ConStringOutput      ; out it goes!
        jmp     resume                ; resume code

; Convert binary to decimal ascii

convert_single:
        push    ax                  ; save registers
        push    bx
        push    cx
        push    dx

        xor     ah,ah              ; clean out msb
        jmp     convert_short      ; do short conversion

convert_double:
        push    ax                  ; save registers
        push    bx
        push    cx
        push    dx

        xchb   ax,cx              ; swap cx with ax
        mov     cx,1000             ; see if we've any thousands
        call    decimal_ascii       ; go call procedure
        mov     cx,100              ; see if we've any hundreds
        call    decimal_ascii       ; go call procedure

convert_short:
        mov     cx,10                ; see if we've any tens
        call    decimal_ascii       ; go call procedure
        mov     cx,1                ; see if we've any ones
        call    decimal_ascii       ; go do it
        inc    si                  ; skip over
```

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    pop    dx          ; restore registers
    pop    cx          ;
    pop    bx          ;
    pop    ax          ;
    ret     ; to caller

; do the actual base-of-ten determination

decimal_ascii:
    xor    bl,bl      ; clean register
aloop:
    sub    ax,cx      ; see if cx is in ax
    jc     add_it     ; branch out if negative
    inc    bl          ; bump counter
    jmp    aloop      ; go do again
add_it:
    add    ax,cx      ; restore the one too far
    add    bl,30h      ; make it ascii
    mov    byte ptr [si],bl ; stuff answer :t
    inc    si          ; bump pointer
    ret     ; to caller

; buffered keyboard entry

ConStringInput:
    push   si          ; save for a spell
    mov    cl,byte ptr [si] ; get legitimate count
    mov    ch,0          ; this is counter
    inc    si          ; bump si to point to results
    push   si          ; save for a spell
ConLoop:
    DosInt  GetChar    ; get a character
    cmp    ax,6700h    ; do we have a <quit>?
    jz     os_quit     ; yes; get out
    cmp    ax,5e00h    ; do we have a control-f1?
    jz     os_suspend  ; yes, get out
    cmp    ax,0c100h   ; do we have a <suspend>?
    jz     os_suspend  ; yes, get out
    cmp    ax,0c200h   ; do we have a <redraw>?
    jz     os_redraw   ; yes, get out
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    cmp    al,13          ; is it a carriage return?  
    jz     ConExit        ; yes, so exit routine  
    cmp    al,8           ; is it a backspace?  
    jz     ConBack        ; yes, so handle  
    cmp    cl,0           ; is cx = 0?  
    jz     ConFull        ; yes, so handle  
    mov    dl,al          ; move character into dl  
    DosInt PutChar        ; post to screen  
    inc    si             ; increment pointer  
    mov    byte ptr [si],al ; save character  
    dec    cl             ; decrement cl  
    inc    ch             ; and increment bl  
    jmp    ConLoop        ; go and do it again  
  
ConBack:  
    cmp    ch,0           ; have we backspaced all way  
    jz     ConFull        ; yes, so beep user  
    LcdInt GetCursor      ; get cursor position  
    dec    dh             ; move back column  
    push   dx             ; save position  
    LcdInt SetCursor      ; set cursor pos  
    mov    dl,' '          ; display a space  
    DosInt PutChar        ; post a character  
    pop    dx             ; get cursor pos back  
    LcdInt SetCursor      ; set cursor pos  
    dec    si             ; bump pointer back  
    inc    cl             ; increment cl  
    dec    ch             ; dec ch  
    jmp    ConLoop        ; go do again  
  
ConFull:  
    mov    dl,7            ; beep  
    DosInt PutChar        ; post to screen  
    jmp    ConLoop        ; so do again  
  
ConExit:  
    pop    si             ; get back old ptr  
    mov    byte ptr [si],ch ; save character count  
    pop    si             ; get original ptr  
    ret                 ; to caller  
  
os_suspend:  
    mov    al,0           ; exit w/ return
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    mov     byte ptr cs:[qwab],al    ; stash into in-line code
os_quit:
    pop     si                      ; fix stack
    pop     si                      ;
    pop     ax                      ;
    mov     al,-1                  ; completely exit
qwab   equ     $-1
    DosInt Exit                  ; 'bye

    jmp     start                 ; do again

os_redraw:
    pop     si                      ; clean stack
    pop     si                      ;
    pop     ax                      ;
    LcdInt ClearScreen           ; clean the screen
    mov     dx,offset back_again$ ; dx -> string
    DosInt ConStringOutput       ;
    jmp     resume                ; go do again

;      binary-to-ascii hex converter

bin_hex:
    mov     cx,4                  ; do this four times
bin_loop:
    push    cx
    mov     bl,ah                  ; we'll be using this later
    and     bl,11110000b           ; move msb into bl
    mov     cl,4                  ; strip off 1s bits
    ror     bl,cl                  ; spin around 4 bits
    add     bl,'0'                ; spin bits back
    cmp     bl,'9'+1              ; add ascii '0' to resultant
    jne     bin_post              ; see if 'A'..'F'
    jc      bin_post              ; if carry, let through
    add     bl,7                  ; else, add 7 to make 'A'..'F'
bin_post:
    mov     byte ptr [si],bl      ; save our character
    mov     cl,4                  ; spin four bytes
    rol     ax,cl                  ; spin ax around
    inc     si                    ; bump si to next spot
    pop     cx                    ; get counter back
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loop    bin_loop          ; go do again
ret                 ; to caller

;      strings and things
;      DS that gets moved into ami

begin_of_data    equ      $
offset_data      equ      102h

cod              equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
dw               0          ; code segment
dod              equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
dw               0          ; data segment
eod              equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
dw               0          ; extra segment
sod              equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
dw               0          ; stack segment
spd              equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
dw               0          ; stack offset

hello$           equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
db               'This is a sample program. Type something'
db               13,10,'$'

back_again$      equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
db               'This is a <Re-Draw> Request',13,10,'$'
second_time$     equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
db               'This is the second time around!!!',13,10
db               'The last time around, you typed:',13,10,'$'

buffer$          equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
db               20
db               0
db               21 dup(?)

report$          equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
db               13,10,'You have typed:',13,10,'$'
system_time$     equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
db               13,10,'System Date is: '
date$             equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
db               '00-00-0000; Time is: '
time$             equ      $-begin_of_data+offset_data
db               '00:00:00.00',13,10
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seg\$	db	'Press a Key to Exit', '\$'
	equ	\$-begin_of_dataoffset_data
	db	13,10,'CS has '
cod\$	equ	\$-begin_of_dataoffset_data
	db	'0000. DS has '
dod\$	equ	\$-begin_of_dataoffset_data
	db	'0000. ES has '
eod\$	equ	\$-begin_of_dataoffset_data
	db	'0000. SS has '
sod\$	equ	\$-begin_of_dataoffset_data
	db	'0000. SP has '
spd\$	equ	\$-begin_of_dataoffset_data
	db	'0000.', 13,10, '\$'
end_of_data	equ	\$
end_of_world	equ	\$
aplsiz	equ	end_of_world-begin
data_length	equ	end_of_data-begin_of_data
code	ends	
	end	start

DIR600.ASM

```
page      55,132
title     'Dir 600 - Sample Directory display program'
```

```
; Dir 600 - program that reads the directory for specified
; wildcard.
```

```
; Version 1.0, 7-15-86
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```
cr        equ      0dh          ; carriage return
lf        equ      0ah          ; line feed
```

; DOS Function equates

PutChar	equ	02h	; write char to screen
GetChar	equ	08h	; get char from keyboard w/o echo
ConStringOutput	equ	09h	; display string to console
Exit	equ	4ch	; exit to DOS
FindFirst	equ	4eh	; find first matching file
FindNext	equ	4fh	; find next matching file

; LCD Text Interrupt Functions

ClearScreen	equ	01h	; clear screen on lcd
SetCursor	equ	02h	; set cursor position
GetCursor	equ	03h	; get cursor position

```
DosInt  macro  function
        mov     ah, function
        int     42h
        endm
```

; ah = function number
; go call dos

```
LcdInt  macro  function
        mov     ah, function
        int     51h
        endm
```

; ah = function number
; call BIOS

```
Code     SEGMENT public 'CODE'
        ASSUME cs:code,ds:code
```

```
; This is the program header
begin:
dw      5f10h          ; application check
dw      9007h          ; our application has code 9007h
db      0               ; 8086 native code
db      'V'             ; app is always visible
db      '.'             ; owned files are AMIs
db      'DIR'           ; extension (must be unique!!)
dw      start            ; beginning of IP
dw      Data_Length+0100h ; place to put SP in AMI
dw      apIsiz           ; size of application
dw      Begin_Of_Data    ; beginning of data
dw      Begin_Of_Data    ; place to keep data
dw      Data_Length       ; length of data area

dump      proc      far
;      data area

Begin_Of_Data    equ      $          ;beginning of data area

FileSpec$        db      12,0
FileSpec$        db      13 dup (?) 

Hello$          db      'Dir 600 - Tandy 600 Directory Test Suite.',cr,lf
Hello$          db      '7-15-86; Version 01.00.',cr,lf
Hello$          db      cr,lf,'Enter File to List: $'

End_Road$       db      'Press ANY Key to Exit'
Cr_Lf$          db      cr,lf,'$'

Report$         db      'Files Matching Wildcard:',cr,lf,'$'

;      error messages

Dir_Error$      db      cr,lf,'Dir 600: Error in DIR command',cr,lf,'$'

Data_Length      equ      $-Begin_Of_Data           ; length of data area
```

beginning of code area

Start:

```
LcdInt ClearScreen ; clear the screen
mov dx,offset Hello$ ;
DosInt ConStringOutput ; post a hello message to
screen

mov si,offset FileSpec$-2 ; ds:si -> ASCIIZ filename
call ConStringInput ; do the read
mov al,byte ptr [si+1] ; zero read?
or al,al ; (they only pressed ENTER)
jz Start ; if so, try again

inc si ; bump counter
inc si ; up 2
xor ah,ah ; clean off msb
add ax,si ; ax = offset end of string
mov si,ax ; move resultant into si
mov byte ptr [si],0h ; make ASCIIZ

mov cx,66h ; look for all files
mov dx,offset FileSpec$ ; ds:dx -> file mask
DosInt FindFirst ; do first scan
jc Error ; if carry, error

LcdInt ClearScreen ; clear the screen
push dx ; for a minute
mov dx,offset Report$ ; dx -> header
DosInt ConStringOutput ; post that
pop dx ; restore dx

Display_Find:
mov ax,9 ; lets add offset 9
add ax,dx ; to the brew
mov si,ax ; move that to si
push ds ; save ds for a while
push cx ; save our segment
pop ds ; into ds
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        mov     cx,21          ; attempt to read max 21
bytes
Post_Loop:
        mov     al,byte ptr [si] ; grab the byte
        or      al,al          ; is it a zero?
        jz     Post_Out        ; yes, so boogie
        mov     dl,al          ; move char to dl
        DosInt PutChar        ; post char
        inc     si             ; si -> next char
        loop   Post_Loop       ; go through again

Post_Out:
        pop     ds             ; restore ds
        mov     dx,offset Cr_Lf$ ; newline
        DosInt ConStringOutput ; post to screen
        DosInt FindNext        ; go find the next file
        jnc   Display_Find     ; and post it
        cmp     ax,2            ; see if we've an error
        jz     Clean_Exit       ; (besides "out of files")

; handle error in directory

Error:
        mov     dx,offset Dir_Error$ ; dx -> error
        DosInt ConStringOutput ; post it

Clean_Exit:
        mov     dx,offset End_Road$ ; display "goodbye"
        DosInt ConStringOutput ; ;
        call   Getc             ; wait for a character

        mov     al,-1            ; exit w/o return
        DosInt Exit              ; go home

dumb
        endp

ConStringInput proc    near
        push   si             ; save for a spell
        mov    cl,byte ptr [si] ; get legitimate count
        mov    ch,0            ; this is counter
        inc    si             ; bump si to point to
result$
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```
        push    si                      ; save for a spell
ConLoop:
        call    Getc                  ; get a character
        cmp    al,13                 ; is it a carriage return?
        jz     ConExit              ; yes, so exit routine
        cmp    al,8                  ; is it a backspace?
        jz     ConBack              ; yes, so handle
        cmp    cl,0                  ; is cx = 0?
        jz     ConFull              ; yes, so handle
        mov    dl,al                 ; move character into dl
        DosInt PutChar              ; post to screen
        inc    si                   ; increment pointer
        mov    byte ptr [si],al      ; save character
        dec    cl                   ; decrement cl
        inc    ch                   ; and increment bl
        jmp    ConLoop              ; go and do it again
ConBack:
        cmp    ch,0                  ; have we backspaced all
way
        jz     ConFull              ; yes, so beep user
        LcdInt GetCursor            ; get cursor position
        dec    dh                   ; move back column
        push   dx                   ; save position
        LcdInt SetCursor            ; set cursor pos
        mov    dl,' '
        DosInt PutChar              ; post a character
        pop    dx                   ; set cusor pos back
        LcdInt SetCursor            ; set cursor pos
        dec    si                   ; bump pointer back
        inc    cl                   ; increment cl
        dec    ch                   ; dec ch
        jmp    ConLoop              ; go do again
ConFull:
        mov    dl,7                  ; beep
        DosInt PutChar              ; post to screen
        jmp    ConLoop              ; go do again
ConExit:
        pop    si                   ; get back old ptr
        mov    byte ptr [si],ch      ; save character count
        pop    si                   ; get original ptr
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        ret                                ; to caller
ConStringInput  endp

Getc          proc near
    DosInt  GetChar
    cmp     ax,6700h
    jz      os_quit
    cmp     ax,5e00h
    jz      os_suspend
    cmp     ax,0c100h
    jz      os_suspend
    cmp     ax,0c200h
    jz      os_redraw
    ret

os_suspend:
    mov     al,0
    jmp     os_out
; exit w/ return clause
; get out of Dodge

os_quit:
    mov     al,-1
; exit w/o return

os_out:
    DosInt  Exit
; 'bye

os_redraw:
    ret
; null routine...

Getc          endp

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Code          ends

        end     DUMP
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